

19. (New) The method of claim 15 further comprising the steps of drilling holes in the manifold plates around the bored out holes for attaching the nozzles to the manifold plates, and boring out slots for alignment pins in the manifold plates next to the bored out holes.

20. (New) The method of claim 15 further comprising the step of aligning plug channels of the plugs with the flow channels of the manifold plates and melt channels of the nozzles.

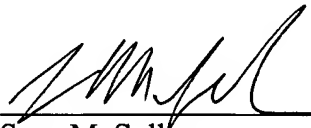
REMARKS

New claims 15-20 have been added to the present patent application. New claims 11-65 further define the Applicant's invention over the prior art.

Consideration and entry of this preliminary amendment, prior to examination, are respectfully requested. In addition, Applicant respectfully submits that originally filed claims 1-14 and new claims 15-20 are allowable, and Applicant respectfully requests early notice to this effect.

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